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Christmas Greetings

We sincerely hope that everything you desire may come true and that the New year will be one of real happiness to you.

BUILDERS' HARDWARE
G. C. LEESON, mgr.

To our many customers and friends we extend Best Wishes for a Merry Christmas and Health and Happiness in the New Year

C. H. NASH & SON
— PHONE 11 —

Christmas Greetings !

To our patrons who so kindly co-operated with us during the past twelve months and who have made our business such a success, we extend best wishes for a

A Very Merry Christmas
— AND —
A Prosperous New Year

C. C. DIEDE

MASSEY HARRIS DEALER — B. A. OILS

WE THANK YOU

for the confidence you have placed in us in the past and extend to you our good wishes for

A Merry Christmas and A Happy Prosperous New Year

Walter Schacher

Your Friendly Cockshutt Dealer — Phone 13

Chas. Cave Heads Carbon Legion

Election of officers took place at the December meeting of the Canadian Legion, held Monday evening in the Legion Hall. The following were named to office and will be installed at the January meeting:

President, Charles Cave.
Vice-pres., Geo. Appleyard.
Sec.-treas., Jack Appleyard.
Sergeant - at - Arms, Fred Schmierer.

Chaplain, Rev. G. B. Hotchkiss.

Executive committee: Francis Poxon, Russell Snell, Jack Garrett, Morris Switzer, Findlay Code.

A report on the recent whist party showed it to be a financial success and a second party will be held on Friday, January 18th.

The members also decided to send cigarettes to Bill Dixon, who is serving with the Canadian army in Korea.

All councillors were present at the December meeting of the village council, held in S. F. Torrance's office, when the 1952 tax assessment submitted by R. N. Bower, provincial tax assessor, was reviewed.

The municipal inspector's report showed that the village records were maintained in a neat and up-to-date manner.

Civil defence correspondence and resolutions passed at the annual municipal convention were also reviewed.

Carbon Chronicle to be Printed at Acme

It is with regret that we announce that this issue of The Carbon Chronicle will be the final edition published by the present publisher. As has been the custom in the past no paper will be printed between Christmas and New Years.

Commencing in January of next year The Chronicle will be printed at the plant of The Acme Sentinel, Acme, Alberta. Mrs. Harry Hunt has been appointed correspondent and business manager of The Chronicle and all advertising, news and subscriptions will be handled by her after the first of the year. Until a suitable system has been put in operation all copy must be submitted to Mrs. Hunt by Wednesday noon in order for it to catch the mail and ensure publication the same week. Your support in prompt submission of advertising and news would be appreciated.

Subscriptions at present in arrears may be brought up to date by payment at The Chronicle office until the end of the year. If the label on your paper shows a date prior to January, 1952, your immediate attention to the matter is requested.

To our subscribers and those with whom we have associated in the past we extend our best wishes for a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

From 1917 to 1951

We wish you the same old wish

A Very Merry Christmas AND A Prosperous New Year

THE FARMERS' EXCHANGE

A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

Once again Christmas is here with all its tradition and its perennial message of "Goodwill to men." As we relax from our business problems we think kindly of our friends and associates. May you enjoy a Happy Christmas with good health and prosperity in the New Year.

Shaw's Drug Store
R. J. Shaw, Phm. C. — Phone 24

Christmas Greetings . . .

With volumes of good wishes
For Christmas joy and cheer
And happiness and gladness
Every day thro'out the year

CARBON LOCKER STORAGE

Phone 27 Phone 27

Christmas Greetings and Best Wishes For A Happy New Year from W. A. Braisher

We sing the olden carols, and we keep the olden feast,
The Christmas spirit is abroad, and petty envy ceased.

Merry Christmas

Bringing all Good Wishes
for Christmas that's Bright
And a New Year that's Filled
with Days of Delight

Happy New Year

CARBON TRADING COMPANY

Morris Switzer, prop. — Phone 18, Carbon

Value Of Research

THE CONTRIBUTIONS OF RESEARCH to agriculture in the last fifty years have been numerous and the results are to be seen in many of the farming methods of the present day. Varieties of wheat, fertilizers, insecticides, mechanical equipment and many other matters affecting agriculture have been subjects of research and both the farmers and the public have benefitted from the work which has been done. While a great deal has been accomplished, many people, and perhaps none more than the research workers themselves, realize that there are still many problems to be solved. This fact has been brought to the attention of the public twice lately in discussions concerning crop conditions in the west. For the past two years the western wheat crop has been seriously damaged, last year by frost and this year by early snow, which reduced the estimated wheat crop marketings by nearly 30,000,000 bushels, according to the report of the Canadian wheat board.

Seed Producers Are Affected

conditions in the past two years had made it difficult for seed growers to produce registered and certified seed crops of high grade and germination. Mr. Jackson stated that scientists are now working on problems related to the effect of early frost, dampness and other factors upon seed, and he urged that greater financial appropriations should be granted for agricultural research, which benefits both the farmer and the public generally in many ways.

Has Brought New Problems

year, Mr. Gardiner suggested that mechanized equipment used by farmers for seeding and harvesting delay these operations under certain conditions, and offset the advantages provided by the development of early-maturing wheat. He suggested that delay in seeding operations were a factor in the damage caused to the last two crops. Research is now being done by machinery companies, Mr. Gardiner said, in an effort to find equipment which will allow speedier seeding operations. The western wheat crop is important not only to the farmers, but to the country as a whole and to many outside of Canada who look to this country for supplies of grain. The present situation is a serious one and it appears that many of the problems which have arisen from it may be solved through agricultural research.

"Golden Mile"

Moose Jaw's Main Street Is Famous--100 Feet Wide

MOOSE JAW, Sask.—Moose Jaw's Main street is famous. It's 100 feet wide and they call it the "Golden Mile". It's not so long ago that it was paved with wooden blocks which used to up and float away in a heavy rain. But today it's one of the West's widest and finest main stems. And if the business done there through the years were added up, its "Golden Mile" label wouldn't be far off.

Moose Jaw doesn't get much chance to forget that its business is based on agriculture and that wheat is a main reason for its existence.

The city, Saskatchewan's third largest with a population of just under 25,000, is the distributing centre for 40,000 square miles and a trading area for 20,000 square miles.

The towers that break its skyline are related to wheat. The provincial seed plant building, a flour mill and the Federal grain storage elevator are Moose Jaw landmarks.

But the No. 1 industry is railroading. It is a railwayman's railway town, the district headquarters in Saskatchewan for the Canadian Pacific Railway and the northern terminus of the Soo line to Minneapolis.

Moose Jaw is having one of its peak construction years. More than 800 new houses have been built during the last few years, enough to make quite a difference in the city's landscape. And the small homes at the edge of town—the ones that have been there for decades—are freshly painted.

The city is enjoying good business—no rampaging boom but steady growth combined with prosperity.

Although this has been a bad harvest year, business has been "surprisingly good", says G. S. O'Shaughnessy, commissioner of Moose Jaw's Chamber of Commerce.

Bank debits for the first eight months of the year showed a 14.6 per cent. increase over last year against an average increase for the Prairies of 13.7 per cent.

Just south of the city a \$3,000,000 home for mentally deficient is being built. It will house 1,000 patients

with a staff of 300.

The Air Force is building a training school at the site of a Second World War station four miles south of the city. Some 120 houses are being built there as permanent staff quarters and other buildings and a branch rail line are under way. A \$2,572,000 contract has been awarded for the job.

Changing the look of industrial Moose Jaw is a \$5,000,000 expansion project at the British American Oil Company refinery. Installation of new equipment will double handling capacity for crude oil from the Alberta pipeline. When completed, the refinery will produce 230,000 gallons of gasoline a day.

Moose Jaw's schools are filled to capacity this Fall. A \$200,000 wing is being added to the Moose Jaw Technical School. The school board has sites picked out for future schools.

The keynote today is steady progress. Forty years ago, Moose Jaw like many other Western cities was a boom town. In 1913 its net assessment hit a high of more than \$50,000,000. It dropped to a low of \$14,500,000 in 1940.

Now it's on the way back and this year is expected to be about \$20,000,000.

One thing the city has never been able to settle is how it got its name. Citizens are undecided whether it came from the shape of the Moose Jaw river or from the mending of a pioneer ox-cart wheel with a moose's jaw.

Rotterdam is the chief commercial port of the Netherlands.



—Central Press Canadian.

CORN'S HIS LINE — Willard C. Kirk of Jeffersonville, Ohio, is shown with a variety of yellow hybrid corn that won him the title of "Corn King" at the 29th annual hay and grain show at the international livestock exhibition in Chicago. Kirk was the first Ohioan ever to achieve this award in the history of the show.

Funny and Otherwise

Old Lady: "Isn't it wonderful how these filling station people know exactly where to set a pump and get gas?"

She: "I think men should wear something to show they're married. Women wear wedding rings."

He: "Men wear something to show they're married. They wear last year's clothes."

"Did my medicine do any good?"

"A wonderful remedy, doctor. I took three spoonfuls and my cough went, I rubbed three spoonfuls into my knee for rheumatism, and the rest we used to clean the silver."

Glancing up from the advertisement in the old magazine he had found, the hobo said to his companion: "Do you think it does any good to have your character analyzed by your handwriting?"

"All it ever got me," said the other grinning, "was six months in jail—for forgin' a cheque."

"Is that hair tonic any good?"

"Well, I spilled some of it on my comb last week and now it's a brush."

He had just bought a toothbrush. "How about two of them?" asked the druggist. "One for your wife?"

"No thanks! When I buy a new one, I always give her the old one," said the customer casually. Then, as the druggist and several others in the shop gasped, he added: "She uses it to clean her shoes!"

Jake: "Your wife used to be so nervous. Now she doesn't seem to show a sign of it. What did you do for her?"

George: "That was easy. The doctor simply told her nervousness was a sign of age."

Is GETTING UP Getting you Down?

If morning finds you only half rested, still weary—if your sleep is broken by fitful tossing and turning—your kidneys may be to blame. When your kidneys get out of order, your sleep usually suffers.

To help your kidneys regain a normal condition, use Dodd's Kidney Pills. Dodd's help the kidneys get rid of poisons and excess acids in your system. Then your uneasiness disappears—you can enjoy restful unbroken sleep—and awake refreshed and ready for work or play. Get Dodd's Kidney Pills today. 147

Dodd's Kidney Pills

B of M President Warns Growth Of Inflation Is Still Possible

B. C. Gardner Calls for "Re-emphasis" on Saving; Analyzes Current and Long-Term Threats to Dollar

GORDON BALL, GENERAL MANAGER, ANNOUNCES RECORD TOTALS IN LOANS, DEPOSITS AND ASSETS

While forecasting a "brilliant long-range future" for Canada, B. C. Gardner, president of the Bank of Montreal, sees a continuance of difficult economic problems facing the nation and emphasizes that "it would be very dangerous to conclude that the battle against inflation has been won."

Speaking to B of M shareholders at their 134th annual meeting here, Mr. Gardner found encouragement in Canada's current monetary policies which were resulting in a "healthier and more realistic interest-rate structure," with the price of money once again beginning to exercise its traditional stabilizing function as a stimulus to saving and a brake on excessive expansion."

Warning that the possibility of further inflation was still "very real," the president traced both the short and long-term factors which threaten Canada's monetary stability.

Inflationary Factors

Mr. Gardner saw an immediate inflationary threat in the necessity of putting an increasing proportion of Canada's national output into defence and industrial expansion, with a consequent decrease of production for civilian consumption. A widening of the disparity between spending power and available consumer goods might result.

The long-term forces tending to undermine the value of the dollar were more deeply rooted, he stated. Among them he included: the political unpopularity of anti-inflationary policies; severe taxation which might encourage the wage-price spiral; and shorter working-hours at a time of heavy demand on the collective efforts of the population.

Looking at the positive side, Mr. Gardner stressed the need of a "great re-emphasis" on the value of saving as a stabilizing force. If savings failed to keep abreast of output going

into capital production, inflationary pressures had to result. What was needed was to make saving worthwhile, to pay capital a "living wage."

General Manager's Address

Gordon R. Ball, general manager, presented the balance-sheet, showing total year-end assets of \$2,222,000,000 as against \$2,190,000,000 in 1950. The number of deposit accounts reached a new record figure—1,873,519—and deposits at \$2,085,000,000 were up by \$22,000,000. Current loans and discounts in Canada totalled \$558 millions, compared with \$480 millions a year earlier.

Reviewing the present "transitional period," Mr. Ball stated that more Canadians are employed today, at a higher income, than ever before. The delays in getting the defence program underway had, he felt, helped Canadians "gain a march" in fore-stalling scarcities of consumer goods that might otherwise have developed. More important, they were "rapidly extending the industrial foundations not only of a larger rearmament effort but also of a greater Canada in the years to come."

Warmly appreciative of "the loyal, devoted and efficient service" of the B of M staff, Mr. Ball said the past year was one of great activity in all departments of the bank. He added that the welfare of the staff, now over 10,000, was constantly under consideration, and that the bank had endeavoured to help solve their cost-of-living problems by the payment of monthly bonuses which were subject to review every six months.

Potatoes Shipped To Saskatchewan To Meet Shortage

WINNIPEG.—Some Manitoba potatoes are being shipped to Saskatchewan to help take care of a shortage which has appeared there, a spokesman for a Winnipeg vegetable wholesale house said.

One wholesaler said there are "more than enough stocks to look after our own market in Manitoba."

United States potatoes are being shipped into Regina to fill the gap left when Alberta potatoes, normally shipped to Saskatchewan, were hit by frost which damaged and killed part of the crop.

Imported potatoes will be brought in from areas in North Dakota, and will likely sell for about the same cost as the Manitoba variety, the spokesman said.

The U.S. dealers pay no tariff on import potatoes, he said.

RHODES SCHOLARS

WINNIPEG.—James Ross Francis, 21-year-old honors history student at the University of Manitoba, has been named the province's Rhodes scholar for 1952.

VANCOUVER.—C. P. S. Taylor, 21, son of a prominent Vancouver doctor, is British Columbia's 1952 Rhodes scholar.

Shrinkage of the tissues often makes it appear as if a person's hair grows after death.



PATENTS

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Do You Know That...

The function of chicken's gizzard is that it "chews" the food with the aid of small pebbles, taking the place of the teeth which the chicken lacks.



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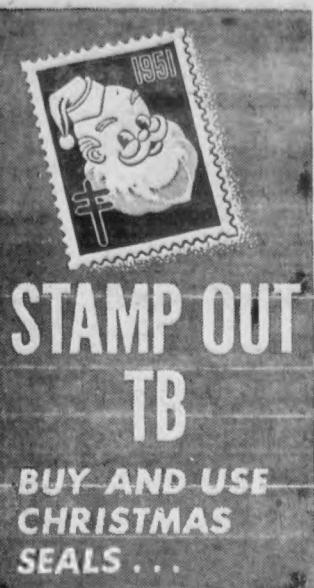
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- Warm Electric Oil
- Rub well into chest and throat
- Cover with warm flannel
- Effective for children
- USED FOR 85 YEARS

CHEST RUB with

DR. THOMAS ELECTRIC OIL



**CANCER CONTROL**

Cancer is normal cell growth gone wild. If the disease is diagnosed and treated in its earliest stages, the chances for cure are excellent. Time is the

Following is the final list of names of those contributing cash donations to the H. S. A. library fund:

Walter Schacher \$5; R. Garrett \$10; L-E. Brown \$1; L. A. Coates \$10; C. Anderson \$5; H. J. Gimbel \$2; Sidney Bramley \$2; Clarence Gross \$2; Steve Homeniuk \$3; F. Bessant \$1; Fred Schmiederer \$2; Ted Schmidt \$2.

I.B. DECLINE

During the past four years, tuberculosis has dropped 31 per cent in Canada. The country-wide campaign for chest x-rays may be credited with this improved figure since, by its aid, TB can be discovered in its earliest stages, when, if treated promptly, cure is almost certain.

great factor in the cure. If the disease is allowed to develop unchecked, it becomes increasingly difficult for medical science to succeed in affecting a cure. At the first suspicion of symptoms, a doctor should be consulted.

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS —

May you enjoy the holidays to their fullest. May you receive all the blessings of the Christmas season. May you have a very Happy New Year.

Nick Semenchuk

THE COMPLIMENTS OF THE SEASON

As the holiday season draws near, it is our sincere wish that you have a most pleasant Christmas and a New Year of prosperity, health and happiness.

CARBON TRANSPORT**A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS —**

May the Christmas bells ring in a most happy season — May the Christmas bells ring with all the happiness that you so richly deserve, is our Christmas wish to the people of the community.

HOTEL CAFE**Canada Ends Control On Foreign Exchange**

The Canadian Government abruptly ended 12 years of control over foreign exchanges last Friday.

Canada now has the same freedom of money exchange as enjoyed by only two other countries—the United States and Switzerland.

Finance Minister Abbott made the announcement in the commons as exchange markets closed at 5 p.m. last Friday. He said an order in council has been passed ending foreign exchange control and that covering legislation will be introduced in parliament next spring.

This action means that all restrictions have been eliminated from movement of money in and out of the country. For instance, Canadians now can buy—if they have the money—securities in New York markets, accumulate all the United States funds they need for travel abroad. No more forms are necessary. There is no limit on the amount of United States dollars a person can keep or take out of the country.

The Foreign Exchange Control Board which controlled capital and tourist-dollar movements, will still exist, but only on paper. Many of its 350 employees will be either shifted to other Bank of Canada jobs or dismissed.

Banks, corporations and individuals will be able to hold as much U.S. or any other currency—as they choose.

But the government, through the official reserves, will still be able to maintain a measure of economic stability to prevent wild fluctuation in the market value of the Canadian dollar.

Through a special exchange fund, officials will be able, on behalf of the finance minister, to buy and sell American dollars and buy Canadian dollars on the New York market if there is a heavy selling pressure forcing down the value of the dollar.

Officials apparently do not see any heavy fluctuations of the Canadian dollar on the horizon. Mr. Abbott observed that there have been progressive reductions in foreign exchange control and yet the dollar has maintained strength, tending to climb toward par with the U.S. dollar.

Prospecting For Edible Iron

The amount of iron required daily by an adult is considered to be 12 milligrams. Good sources of this mineral and the amount they supply are: baked beans with pork, 5 mgms; one cup of prune juice, 4.3 mgms; egg-and-tomato salad, 2.5 mgms; two peaches, 1.2 mgms; 2 slices of whole wheat bread, 1 mgm. One serving of pork liver contains the whole day's iron ration

A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR

It has been our good fortune to do business with the finest folks on earth and the Spirit of the Season brings renewed appreciation of old associations and the value of new friends. Here is wishing you the most joyous Christmas you may have and that the New Year will bring you and yours the fullest measure of happiness and prosperity.

ALF FOX
Coal

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS —

We take genuine pleasure in laying aside the routine of business to send to our many friends the heartiest wishes for the Holiday Season.

ART'S AUTO BODY SHOP
ART HUMPHREY, Prop.

A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS

Once again it is our pleasure and privilege to extend to all our many friends and customers our sincere wishes for a Very Merry Christmas and may the New Year bring you much happiness and a full measure of prosperity.

WRIGHT MOTORS

A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS —
TO OUR CUSTOMERS AND FRIENDS

With Santa Claus peepin' around the corner, and everybody thinking about everyone else, we want to pause long enough to extend to you our best wishes for a real Merry Christmas.

THE COFFEE CUP

LOOK FOR THIS "HIGH SIGN" OF QUALITY

TIRE HEADQUARTERS
for Authorized
GOOD YEAR
Sales and Service

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MERRY CHRISTMAS

OUR CHRISTMAS STORY—

Christmas Angel

By Charlotte McCarthy

ALL day long the snow fell over the village. Roof-tops disappeared under its fleecy whiteness, and tree branches bent low under their pure, chill burden. But just after dusk the sky cleared, and bright stars glittered down on a frosty, sparkling Christmas Eve. Ruth Desmond drew a long breath of complete happiness, as she snuggled down under the fur robe beside her father. The shiny black team trotted swiftly along the snowy road, their bells chimming. "College is fine, Dad," Ruth exclaimed. "But home for Christmas! Yummy!"

Mrs. Desmond had heard the sleigh bells and was waiting in the open door when they drove up. Everywhere Ruth looked it was Christmas! The wreaths at the windows—the red and silver garlands. And in one corner of the candle-lit living room stood the tree, topped by the dear, familiar Christmas angel that had crowned the Desmond Christmas tree for as long as Ruth could remember.

But there was something else in the atmosphere besides the deep, intangible peace of the Yuletide spirit. In spite of her parent's efforts to make everything appear as usual, Ruth became increasingly conscious of a sense of strain in their laughter. Could it be that her mother or father was ill? Or perhaps there was some financial worry. "There's something worrying you," Ruth said bluntly. "I'm a big girl now, and I have a right to know."

"Nonsense!" her father exclaimed. "Everything's just fine, isn't it, Laura?"

To Ruth's dismay she saw her mother's eyes fill with quick tears. "You might as well know, dear, something has happened. And it's all my fault."

"It is not!" Mr. Desmond protested. "I might have done the same thing myself, but I thought—"

"You thought a grown woman would have sense enough to put an important letter safely in your desk," his wife interrupted.

"Mummy!" Ruth exclaimed in quick alarm. "What is it?"

"You know that your Dad advertised that hundred acres we own across the valley? Well, a wonderful offer came by mail. Your Dad had to hurry out to the barn, so he handed me the letter, and I just slipped it somewhere for a minute, and then—well, you know my memory, Ruth."

"You didn't forget where you put it?" Ruth's eyes widened in dismay as she saw her mother's reluctant nod. "But you must remember the name," she finished.

Her mother shook her head sadly. "It was Kirkichoff, or Kirnawick, or—something."

"Well, I can still sell it to Jones," Mr. Desmond said.

"For one thousand dollars less," his wife said bitterly. "This Kir—, whoever he is, offered two thousand. He wanted it for a tourist resort."

"But the letter will turn up," Ruth suggested eagerly.

"The man is going South for the winter, he said in the letter. Unless we can wire him before he leaves tomorrow night, the deal is off." Mrs. Desmond dabbed at her eyes with one corner of her apron. "And your Dad was so pleased, Ruth. The first thing he said was that now he'd be able to afford a new tractor in the spring."

"Well, it's not going to spoil our Christmas," Mr. Desmond declared. "Let's go in and listen to the carols on the radio—look at our tree."

But now that the truth was out, it was almost impossible for Mrs. Desmond to pretend that she was enjoying Christmas. And Ruth's heart ached for both of them. She knew how her father had worked from dawn until dusk to pay for that land across the valley.

Her eyes smarting, Ruth looked up at the Christmas angel, smiling serenely from the top of the tree. "It's funny," she said softly. "When I was a little girl on Christmas Eve I'd whisper to that little angel, tell her what I wanted, and on Christmas



"Joy to the World! The Lord is Come."

morning it almost seemed as if she'd helped to have it waiting under the tree."

Suddenly, Mrs. Desmond jumped to her feet. "Christmas angel! Angel!" she said dazedly. "Ruth, you darling! You Angel!"

"What in the world, Ruth?" Mr. Desmond exclaimed.

Mrs. Desmond's eyes sparkled with tears. But they were happy tears. "That's it, Will! That's where I put the letter. On the bottom cupboard shelf under my angel food tins!"

SAME OLD SANTA

Same old Santa, same old joys,
Same old dolls and sleds and toys;
Same old holly, same old tree,
Same old gifts for cherubs wee;
Same old carol, same old light,
Same old stockings hung at night;
Same old words of merry cheer,
Same good wishes for the year.
Same old Christmas! Seems to me
That's the way it ought to be.
—Anon.

The first Christmas card was designed in 1845.

I LIKE CHRISTMAS

By JANE DALE

I like Christmas for many reasons. To me it is the season of seasons; the one time when the past, the present and the future converge. Memories of the Christmases already gone return to add sweetness to the present one. All the joys and expectations of this year will be tempered by the fulfillment experienced all those years ago. And when the present season flits by all too quickly I can say, well there will be another Christmas next year and my heart is lightened in that hope.

I like the Christmas cards. People have paused a moment in their busy lives to send me a greeting from afar. A Merry Christmas, a verse of a carol or scripture, or simply a few words. Whatever form the message takes, it is a direct thought from a friend who has been thinking of me. That is a lovely impression.

I like the cheery greeting of the people on the street. The face breaks into a smile, for who can put any heartiness into a Christmas greeting without smiling. And the echo of each greeting floats for a moment on the frosty air. Christmas without someone calling out, "Merry Christmas to you!" would seem barren indeed.

I like to hear the church bells ring out. For those of us who live in the rural centres and seldom hear a church bell it is a treat indeed to stand and listen to the deep mellow tones ring out on the frosty air. Bells are symbols of Christmas

To The Manger

By JANE DALE

An Angel song will tell you the glad tidings—

If your ears can hear that song. A shining star will light your way to the Manger—

If your eyes can see that star. And you may kneel before the King—

If you give him your heart.

Yule Decorations

The custom of hanging evergreens and other decorations during the Christmas festival is, perhaps, the oldest of yuletide customs. It probably dates from pre-Christian days, for the time of the Winter Solstice, December 22nd, when the sun appears to pause before returning to the earth and the days begin to get longer, was an occasion of rejoicing for primitive peoples. The decorations were left up for a long period and, on February 1, 1444, St. Paul's Cathedral was almost burned down after fire had taken hold of the evergreens on the wooden steeple.

It only takes a small amount of carelessness to turn the joyful Christmas holiday into a tragic event. The Christmas tree is the danger spot. There are a few simple precautions that will assure a safe and merry Christmas.

Never burn real candles on your tree.

Don't risk using frayed cords and broken plugs.

Avoid placing powerful lamp bulbs near fancy ornaments, synthetic materials, paper or cotton.

Don't go away and leave your tree lighted.

Be very careful when smoking around Christmas package wrapping material.

Secure the tree by wires to the wall so that tiny tots will not be able to bump or pull it over.

OLD VOWS TO KEEP

Bring Mistletoe and holly
About the door entwine,
Set candles at the window,
Light logs of oak and pine.

Invite the young and old
Who give the joy of life,
That they may linger too
Forgetting care and strife.

Sing carols in the candlelight,
Sing of a star, a Child divine,
And pledge to keep His faith,
And let His glory shine.

—Cecile Johnstone.

CAROL SINGERS

It is said that Carol Singers were originally the watchmen employed long ago by the city companies. The watchmen were in those days called "waits"—and that is why we sometimes call carol singers waits today.

Poinsettias which have come to be a "must" for Christmas decorations, owe their name and popularity to an early American diplomat, botanist and scholar—Joel Roberts Poinsett.

GAMES!

No Party Complete Without Them

In times gone by when house parties at Christmas time were the order of the day Christmas Crackers or Conundrums held an important place in the evening's program. Today this method of amusement has been more or less pushed into the background by the more modern contests. Perhaps as a change from these contests a few conundrums, or in our present day language, riddles would be enjoyed by the older members of the party.

Give each member a piece of paper and a pencil. Write each riddle out on a thin strip of paper and pin each one in a conspicuous place in the room. Allow fifteen or twenty minutes for everyone to get the answers which she writes on the paper opposite the number indicated.

Here are twelve conundrums:

- 1 What tree is never beautiful?—The plane tree.
- 2 What has four legs but only one foot?—A bed.
- 3 When is pie like a poet?—When it is Browning.
- 4 What key is the hardest to turn?—The donkey.
- 5 What is always behind time?—The back of the clock.
- 6 Whose eye never sees anything and never will?—The eye of an needle.
- 7 What bridge should you never walk over?—The bridge of your nose.
- 8 Why is a man who grumbles like an overbaked loaf?—Both are crusty.
- 9 Why has a horse six legs?—Because it has fore legs in front and two behind.
- 10 What sort of a toe never grows a nail?—The mistletoe.
- 11 What smells most at a flower show?—The nose.
- 12 What is it you often hold but seldom touch?—The tongue.

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OLD VOWS TO KEEP

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About the door entwine,
Set candles at the window,
Light logs of oak and pine.

Invite the young and old
Who give the joy of life,
That they may linger too
Forgetting care and strife.

Sing carols in the candlelight,
Sing of a star, a Child divine,
And pledge to keep His faith,
And let His glory shine.

—Cecile Johnstone.

CAROL SINGERS

It is said that Carol Singers were originally the watchmen employed long ago by the city companies. The watchmen were in those days called "waits"—and that is why we sometimes call carol singers waits today.

Poinsettias which have come to be a "must" for Christmas decorations, owe their name and popularity to an early American diplomat, botanist and scholar—Joel Roberts Poinsett.

The Sports Clinic

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Conducted by Lloyd "Ace" Percival

Checking In Hockey

Hockey fans everywhere have heard of National Hockey League forwards who were such good checkers in their prime that they were able to fall back into defense positions when they couldn't keep the pace set up front.

Defense conscious players realize now that these position changes were possible because too many players concentrated on offense, without giving defensive play sufficient practice. It is increasingly difficult now for forwards to move back to the blue-line when they begin slowing up.

One example, though, of a player who developed his checking ability so thoroughly that he extended his career several years is Bill Thoms. He played his major league hockey with Toronto Maple Leafs and Boston at center. When he slowed up he dropped back to defense and years later remained in the game by becoming a rear-guard in senior amateur competition. At 40 he still is in the game, in a senior league.

Thoms' long career in hockey resulted from his early practice with hook and poke checks. He was so adept at it years ago he frequently stopped the great Howie Morenz four times out of five.

For you defense-minded hockey players here's how the checks are made best:

The poke check: Fake the puck-carrier to your shooting side. Spring your trap by bending your knees until you are as close to the ice as possible. Strike toward the puckcarrier and shoot out your stick as flat as possible. Catch the puck with your stick and hold it until your opponent has overshot the play, then begin your own offensive.

The hook check: As in the poke check the first move of the hook checker is to make the opposing forward try to pass on the correct side. Similarly bend your knees and strike once and lay your stick flat on the ice in front of the moving puck. The blade of your stick should form a hook to trap the puck as the player overstates the play.

Remember one of the most important movements in poke or hook checking is the knee bend. The play-

er who is stiff in the knees or who will not go down close to the ice often will fail to get the puck because he will have too little of his stick on the ice.

A good team drill to practice poke or hook checking: Place two markers on the ice, about 20 feet apart. Then have a line of puck carriers go down the ice toward him, trying to carry the puck past the markers. This drill is effective for offensive players also because those who possess poke and hook check skill will be more useful during scrambled play. They will get the puck more often.

Now here is a tip for defensemen. The singlemost important fundamental skill for defensive hockey is the ability to skate backward. The defenseman who can skate backward quickly, with good balance, always will be a hard man to beat.

Sports College own publication, the quarterly Research Guide contains in its fall issue a complete list of new catalogues and instruction booklets written by Head Coach Lloyd Percival. These booklets are revised and improved editions of the famous Playbetter series as well as instruction guides on new subjects.

If you want the new booklet lists send a one-year subscription of one dollar for the Research Guide and request the fall issue as your first copy. Address your letters to Sports College, Box 99, Toronto 1, Ont.

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GREETINGS!

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Federal Government To Back Farm Loans

Trade Minister Howe proposed in the commons last week that the Federal Government underwrite special loans to prairie grain farmers, granting a 25 per cent guarantee on loans, to be limited to \$1,000 to any one farmer.

The government's guarantee will cover any loans made by banks to farmers with grain still on their farms and fields during the current crop year.

It is a move designed to aid those farmers who have been hit financially by the transportation and storage crisis which hampered movement of western grain to market, and also those whose harvesting has been delayed by bad weather.

Mr. Howe's statement on the government's guarantee was made in introducing a resolution to set aside \$5,000,000 to cover any losses by the government which may result from the guarantees to the banks.

The banks will be able to call upon the government to implement its guarantee on October 31, 1952, after there has been opportunity for deliveries to be made from the 1952 crops as well as the current crop.

The loans, however, should be paid out of the proceeds of the 1951 crop.

"H" FORMS' THING OF PAST

Travel loving Canadians don't need to fill out the familiar H-Form any more to obtain United States dollars.

They don't have to convince the Foreign-Exchange Control Board that money for a holiday in the United States is "reasonable."

All the fuss and red tape in getting American dollars at the bank was ended by Finance Minister Abbott. He announced that the Canadian Government has abolished foreign exchange controls.

You can go into the bank and buy all the American dollars you want by paying the normal rate of exchange across the counter.

THE SEASON'S GREETINGS !!

We earnestly wish that all of the excitement, enjoyment and good fellowship of the Yuletide continue to be yours long after the Holiday Season has passed.

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We wish you a good Old-fashioned Merry Christmas.

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Merry Christmas

and a

Happy New Year



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OUR COMPLETE SHORT STORY—**So Small A Price**

"Do You Really Think a Woman Shouldn't Aim at Security?" Said Linda.

By ISABEL M. REEKIE

IT HAD rained and even on Fifth Avenue the air smelled fresh and sweet. Linda and Steven, sitting close on the top of the bus, drew in great breaths.

"Let's not talk for awhile," Linda's head fitted into the curve of Steven's shoulder, her fair curls brushed his ear. Steven nodded in response as his fingers closed over her hand, his head leaned on hers.

Under Linda's head, Steven's shoulder was warm and solid. She felt happy and safe. The way she always felt with Steven. Queer, she thought, she felt altogether different when she was with Rod. One of these days —she stirred uneasily—she would have to make up her mind; she would have to choose between Steven and Rod.

"Ready now?" Steven's voice broke in.

"Ready? For what?" Her soft red lips parted.

Steven's voice was edgy. "Next month is going to be a steady grind. I've got to know one way or another, so I can settle down."

"Old Doc Sawbones wants to concentrate, is that it?" She laughed lightly and, the spell broken, sat up and away a little. "Everything has to be labelled and tabulated, even your girl. Well, I don't know. It isn't that I don't love you. But a year is a long time to wait. It might be more than a year—"

"If you love me—"

"Yes, I know. But there's Rod.

I'm fond of him, too. Perhaps it's best not to love too much," defensively. "Then if things don't turn out well, it doesn't hurt as much."

"Nonsense!" Steven frowned. "You're evading the question. Either you love me, or you don't. It isn't Rod, it's his money. Oh, Linda, you wouldn't let money—"

"Why not?" Linda pushed a flying tendril behind one ear. "Other things being equal. Or, rather, other things being unequal."

"What do you mean?"

"Well," Linda looked straight ahead. "Granted that I love you, Steve—oh!" at the vise-like grip of his arm around her body. "How can I explain if you make love to me?" Slowly his arm relaxed. But Linda didn't speak for awhile. She was thinking of the way Steve's heart had been thumping when she pressed against him.

"Yes, I love you," very low. "But I don't like waiting so long. You may change your mind. I may change mine. It's now that counts, and—"

"With Rod you wouldn't have to wait." Steven removed his arm. "Rod is good-hearted," stubbornly. "Depends on what one wants."

"You needn't be mean," she retorted.

"Mean?" aggravatingly.

"Insinuating that I'm scheming."

"If the cap fits—"

"Steve," Linda's voice was very small, "do you really think a woman shouldn't aim at security?"

"Security?" Steven turned. He cradled Linda's hands in his. "Depends again on what one means. The way I see it," his fingers tightened on hers, "no matter what one chooses, there's always a sacrifice of a sort involved. There's always a price to pay."

All at once he seemed very tired. His shoulders slumped. "I guess it's up to you, Linda. As I said at the beginning, I want to know—now. I've got to work like mad for the next month. Next year too, if I'm going to win that fellowship."

All his aggressiveness had vanished. He was all lover now, pleading.

"It would mean much to me to know that you were my girl; that you were waiting for me. I'd have something to work for then. Something real, not just a career. I know," his eyes searched deep, "you'd have lots to put up with. But there'd be times—they'd make up for the other things."

Always a price to pay, Linda thought. Strange, that Rod had said those very words to her only last night. She had been remonstrating with him at that third night club.

"What about tomorrow, Rod?" she'd asked. "You'll have a terrible head."

"Head? Yes. One always has a head. It's the price one has to pay, my dear, for a merry life."

He had winked solemnly. "And cheap at the price."

But was it? Could be that Steve was right. It all depended on what one wanted from life—on what one was willing to pay, as well. With Rod—she had never admitted it before—one might tire of paying the price.

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THE TILLERS**: Western Briefs :****Cattle Drowned**

WEBB, Sask.—Leroy Nelson a Webb district farmer lost six head of valuable cattle recently when the animals broke through the ice on a slough and drowned. Among the animals were some purebred Jersey dairy cattle.

Timber Industry Flourishing

REGINA.—Saskatchewan's timber industry was described as "flourishing" by E. J. Marshall, provincial forests director, in bureau of publications release. Mr. Marshall said the reason for this was a seller's market, with demand outstripping supply of most forest products.

Winter Fair Successful

BRANDON.—The 1951 Manitoba winter fair was the most successful in the history of the institution, it was reported at the annual meeting of directors here. On the year's operation the fair showed a net profit of more than \$5,000.

For Better Land Use

PRINCE ALBERT.—Improved land utilization for northern Saskatchewan was stressed recently at a northeast area conference of provincial agricultural representatives in Prince Albert. At the conference A. Johnson of Melfort, northeast area supervisor, stressed the importance of improved land use to conserve soil. This could be done, he said, by increased use of better livestock and by crop rotation.

Agriculture Course

GLADSTONE, Man.—Decision to hold another short course in agriculture next February was made at the annual meeting of the Gladstone Seed club in the town hall. There will be a demonstration plot in the summer. It was also decided the club will continue with the plots and that Exeter oats will be grown for competition. Lee wheat will be raised as an experiment.

Students Pass Flight Tests

BRANDON.—Six more students of the Brandon Flying Club have now passed flight tests required for a private pilot's license and are waiting on results of ground examinations. The flight tests were conducted by Inspector B. F. Burbridge of the department of transport. The latest candidates are: R. W. Brown and J. H. Coburn, both of Brandon; J. A. Chandler, Didsbury, Alta.; H. C. Freeman, Fleming, Sask.; M. M. Hammond, Dand, Man., and D. A. Morton, Stettler, Alta.

Courses At Varsity

SASKATOON.—Three short courses in agricultural engineering will be held at the University of Saskatchewan early in 1952, the university's extension department has announced. A gasoline and diesel engine course is slated for January 15 to February 9, 1952; a blacksmithing and welding course will run from Feb. 11 to Feb. 23; and a farm buildings course from Feb. 25 to Feb. 29. Detailed information and application forms may be obtained from L. C. Paul, Extension Department, University of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon.

Big Gas Flow From Brock Well

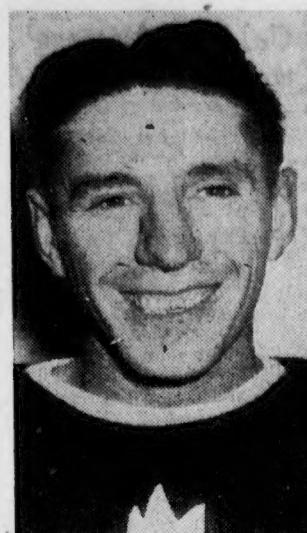
SASKATOON.—Officials of the Husky-Phillips Oil company said a drill steam test of their Husky-Phillips Brock No. 2 well has indicated a gas potential of 10,000,000 cubic feet daily. Further testing is planned. Brock is between Kindersley and Rosetown, Sask., and is 100 miles southwest of Saskatoon.

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ODDITIES**In The News**

Nova Scotia's oldest licensed automobile driver is 93-year-old Henry Hall of Sheet Harbor, N.S. Active and alert despite his years, he has had only one accident in 36 years of driving—he knocked the hub cap off another car while passing on a narrow road 35 years ago.

Police Sgt. Eugene F. Doherty, of Waterbury, Conn., is used to collecting beefs along with parking fines. He was surprised when one motorist paid his with an attached note which read: "Why holler for an inflated dollar."

Glen Albright suffered minor injuries recently when he was involved in a head-on-collision—with a rabbit at Kenyon, Minn. The rabbit was killed by the impact when it bounded into Glen. Glen's hip was bruised.

A veteran Danish farmer of Copenhagen, believes he owns the world's oldest horse, an Icelandic pony, now 54 years old. "She is my best friend," he declares. "We worked together until she was 44 years old—twice the average age of a horse."

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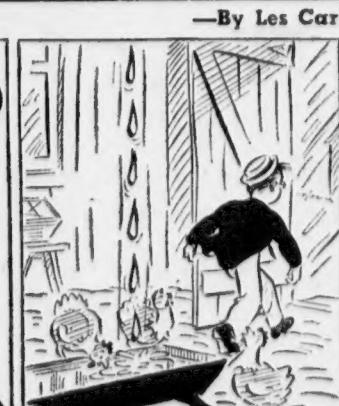
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LADIES' LOUNGE ROOM

A Christmas Message

Christmas is approaching and people everywhere are looking forward to the gaiety and happiness of the Yuletide season. Children are getting excited and grown-ups are planning their parties. But, under the pressure of secular propaganda the real meaning of Christmas becomes dim indeed to many people.

Let us put aside the rose-colored spectacles with which we have looked upon this Festival of Christmas. Let us instead reflect with our naked eyes upon the meaning of the first Christmas. The world was in turmoil, in a state of political and religious unrest. There were those who were on the "top" and there were those who were on the "bottom". Countries were divided and at loggerheads; and people within a country were in that unhappy context as well. Men were interested in themselves. Yet into this world came the Son of God, born of the Virgin Mary. She came to the Inn, in deep pain and suffering—and where was her bed! The prosperous people were in the Inn, and a poor woman was refused entry in order to give birth to her child. Obscure the cradle! It was a disclosure and a judgment upon the world's sin. Yet it is the scene of God's redemptive act.

The realism of Christmas is that we see how in the cruel indifference to a mother and her child there is perpetuated not only wanton cruelty to women and children in Korea but right here at home by our indifference to our neighbors. Also there is the knowledge that the Christ Child brings together those elements in man to worship and adore.

At this Christmas Season, when we are in the midst of our families and friends enjoying the radiance and love which Christmas inspires, let us think also of the "Cradle." It is there we will find Happiness and Love that is beyond compare. There we will echo with the Saints—

"Glory to God in the Highest,
And on earth peace, goodwill
toward men."
REV. G.B. HOTCHKIS, Vicar,
Christ Church, Carbon

A Christmas concert will be held at Carbon Baptist Church Sunday evening, December 23, at 7:30 p.m., and at Zion Baptist Church Monday, December 24, at 7:30 p.m. A Christmas Day service will be held at Carbon at 11 a.m., Tuesday, December 25.

A special four hour Sylvester Service will be held at Carbon Baptist Church New Year's Eve, commencing at 8 p.m.

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Season's Greetings

As the holiday season draws near it is our sincere wish that you have a most pleasant Christmas and a New Year of prosperity

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COMPANY LIMITED

A. E. Scheffelmaier, manager

Christmas Greetings

The season of hope and good cheer is at hand, and to friends and neighbors we send our sincere greetings

**Vi's Style Shoppe****To You and Yours . . .**

Same old wish, always new;
A Merry Christmas to all of you

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A Very Merry Christmas**AND****A Prosperous New Year****Knee Hill Coal**

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Greetings

May the Christmas Day of 1951 be merrier than any Christmas day you have ever had before, and the happiest holiday season

**PAT POOLE**